

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** youth between the ages of 10 and 15 experience extensive developmental changes, with the attitudes and values they cultivate during this time largely determining their later behavior; and

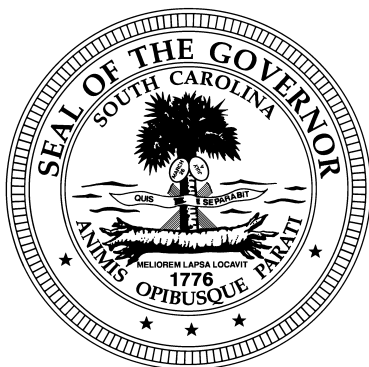
**WHEREAS,** while young adolescents pay increased attention to their peer groups, parents, teachers, and community and business leaders contribute to their positive development during the transitional years from childhood to adolescence; and

**WHEREAS,** the Month of the Young Adolescent empowers young people to fulfill their potential by offering unique opportunities for positive development during a critical time in their lives.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 2005 as

### MONTH OF THE YOUNG ADOLESCENT

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to support the healthy development of our young adolescents.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**